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"As you grow ready for it, somewhere or other  
you will find what is needful for you  
in a book."

--McDonald.

### NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

ELEMENTS OF SOIL CONSERVATION, by Hugh H. Bennett. McGraw-Hill, 1947. 406p.  
56.7 B43E

This very readable book which begins with a picture of the evils of soil erosion and then goes on to tell how the nation can cope with those evils will be used in high school and college courses and will be read by the public at large. The various elements of soil and water conservation are presented in lucid writing and excellent illustrations and charts.

THE SUCCESSFUL SECRETARY, by Margaret Pratt. Lothrop, Lee and Shepard, 1946.  
144p. 200.3 P88

In this stimulating book, Part One - Basic Training, discusses the duties of the average secretary and gives definite suggestions about getting experience, preparing for interviews, and holding a job, as well as a presentation of routine office work. Part Two is developed through interviews with seven executive secretaries including the secretaries to Lowell Thomas, Katharine Cornell, Eleanor Roosevelt, and John Gregg. Part Three contains the questions and answers coming from the seven "experts" interviewed.

TWO BLADES OF GRASS, by T. Swann Harding. University of Oklahoma Press, 1947.  
352p. 31.3 H21T

This intriguing title has a sub-title which gives us an idea of the contents of the book--A History of Scientific Development in the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The book is divided into four parts--Preliminaries, Achievements, Departures, Values. The chapter headings themselves are as intriguing as the title. Some of them are: Test Tube Magic, The Bugs Crawl Out, All Flesh Is Grass, Man Can Help to Make a Tree, Food and Raiment, Science at the Milk Pail.

LUTHER BURBANK, A VICTIM OF HERO WORSHIP, by W. L. Howard. Chronica Botanica, 1946. 206p. 450 C46

The author states that this is not a conventional biography but a human interest story in which he has tried to explain and clarify some of the principle episodes of Burbank's life. The table of contents gives an insight into the many facets of the man's personality--Burbank the man, the nurseryman, the scientist, the egoist, the mentor of youth, the unfortunate, the disappointed, the world character, the individualist.



FARM MANAGEMENT, by John D. Black and others. Macmillan, 1947. 1073p. 281.12 B 56F

This book, intended as a text-book of junior and senior college level, is suited to the teaching of farm management in all parts of the United States as each of its authors knows best the farming of a certain area and made his peculiar contribution. "No rules for successful farming are laid down. ...Instead, an attempt is made to provide a method of analysis that a farmer can apply to a situation of his own that will indicate the best course for him. The methods of analysis presented are simple, direct, concrete, and highly realistic." The six parts of the book are entitled: Introduction, Systems of Farming, Principles and Methods of Analysis, Problems of Management, Management by Types of Farm, Finale.

GARDENING IN THE SOUTH AND WEST, by Mrs. G. R. Scruggs and M. A. Scruggs. Doubleday & Company, 1947. 297p. 97 Scr6

Within the pages of this fascinating and practical book is packed information on the garden soil, the arrangement of a green frame of shrubs and trees for the garden, the hosts of gay flowering perennials, vines, and trailing plants. There are chapters on propagation of plants, on bulbs and roses. You will also find something on the charms of color, the hillside garden, garden pools, desert plants, and how to combat plant enemies.

#### REGIONAL MATERIAL

How well do you know your region and its resources? Listed below are a few publications selected from our library shelves.

##### Arkansas

ARKANSAS, A GUIDE TO THE STATE, compiled by workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration. Hastings House, 1941. 447p. 125 F312Ar1

ARKANSAS' NATURAL RESOURCES--THEIR CONSERVATION AND USE, edited by R. W. Roberts et al. Source Book Committee, 1942. 452p. 280.009 R54

"Birds of Arkansas," by W. J. Baerg. Ark. Agr. Expt. Sta. Bul. 258. 1931. 197p. 100 Ar42

"Phytogeographical Notes on the Coastal Plain of Arkansas," by R. M. Harper. Reprinted from The Plant World, February 1914.

"Soils of Arkansas," compiled by R. P. Bartholomew. University of Arkansas, 1935. 56.1 Ar4

"The Tertiary Geology of Southern Arkansas," by G. D. Harris. 1894. 207p. 406 Ar4

##### Louisiana

THE BIRDS OF LOUISIANA, Louisiana Dept. of Conservation, Bul. 20. 598p.

THE FUR ANIMALS OF LOUISIANA. Louisiana Dept. of Conservation, Bul. 18. 1931. 444p.

"A List of the Shrubs of Louisiana," by R. S. Cocks. Reprinted from Journal of the Arnold Arboretum, Vol. III. 1922.

LOUISIANA, A GUIDE TO THE STATE, compiled by workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration. Hastings House, 1941. 746p. 125 F312L

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"Notes on the Flora of Louisiana," by R. S. Cocks. Reprinted from The Plant World, June 1914. 6p.

"Southern Louisiana From the Car-Window," by R. M. Harper. Reprinted from Torreya 1920. 10p.

"Some Ecological Habitats in the Longleaf Pine Flats of Louisiana," by A. M. Taylor. Reprinted from the Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical Club, February 1927.

WILD FLOWERS OF LOUISIANA, by Caroline Dornon. Doubleday, Doran, 1934. 172p.  
455.56 D73W

Includes most of the herbaceous wild flowers of the Gulf States, with the exception of mountainous regions, and the sub-tropical portions of Florida and Texas.

### Oklahoma

"Animal and Plant Life in Oklahoma," by Oklahoma Geological Survey. 1917. 68p.

"Flora of Muskogee County, Oklahoma," by E. L. Little. Reprinted from The American Midland Naturalist, March 1938. 20p.

"Geology of Texas County, Oklahoma," by C. W. Gould and J. T. Lonsdale. 1926. Oklahoma Geological Survey. 62p.

"Geology of the Southern Ouachita Mountains of Oklahoma," by C. W. Honoss. Oklahoma Geological Survey. Bulletin 32. 1923.  
Part I. Stratigraphy, Structure, and Physiographic History. 278p.  
Part II. Geography and Economic Geology. 76p.

GEOLOGY OF THE STONEWALL QUADRANGLE, OKLAHOMA," by G. D. Morgan. Bureau of Geology, 1924. 248p.

"New Records of Flowering Plants From Southeastern Oklahoma," by E. L. Little, Jr. and C. E. Olmsted. Reprinted from Proceedings of the Oklahoma Academy of Science, 1935. 5p.

"Notes on Some Plants of Oklahoma," by E. J. Palmer. Reprinted from Journal of the Arnold Arboretum, 1934. 8p.

OKLAHOMA, A GUIDE TO THE SOONER STATE, by workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration, University of Oklahoma Press, 1941. 442p.  
125 W9320

"The Trees and Shrubs of Oklahoma," by C. W. Shannon. Oklahoma Geological Survey. Cir. No. 4. 1913. 41p.

THE VEGETATION OF OKLAHOMA, by W. E. Bruner. 89p.

### Texas

"The Canyon Flora of the Edwards Plateau of Texas," by E. J. Palmer. Reprinted from the Journal of the Arnold Arboretum, 1920. 7p.

"The Ecological Relations of the Vegetation of Western Texas," by W. L. Bray. Reprinted from the Botanical Gazette, 1901. 193p.

"Fishes of Texas: Handbook of the More Important Game and Commercial Types." Texas Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Bul. No. 5. 1932. 41p. 412.9 T31



- "Fur Resources and Fur Animals of Texas," by O. E. Frye and D. W. Lay. Texas, Game, Fish and Oyster Commission, Bul. No. 25. 1942. 42p.
- "The Range Vegetation of Kerr County, Texas In Relation to Livestock and White-tailed Deer," by H. K. Euechner. Reprinted from The American Midland Naturalist, 1944. 47p.
- "Studies in the Vegetation of Southwestern Texas," by H. J. Cottle. Reprinted from Ecology, 1931. 51p.
- TEXAS, A GUIDE TO THE LONE STAR STATE, compiled by workers of the Writers' Program of the Work Projects Administration. Hastings House, 1940. 718p. 125 F312Tx
- "The Timber of the Edwards Plateau of Texas: Its Relation to Climate, Water Supply and Soil," by W. L. Bray. Bureau of Forestry Bul. No. 40. 1904. 50p.
- "The Vegetation of Texas," by B. C. Tharp. Texas Academy of Science, 1939. 74p. 455.63 T32
- "A Week in Eastern Texas," by R. M. Harper. Reprinted from Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical Club, 1920. 29p.  
Vegetation in east Texas.

### Soil Surveys

For many of the counties in these four states the library has soil surveys and the accompanying maps. These publications contain a description of the area, information on the climate and agriculture of the county, and detailed discussion of the soils in the county.

Soil Surveys have not been published for all the counties in all states at this time, but we shall be glad to send you the survey for your county if we have it.

### SELECTED BULLETINS

- "Comparative Trials With Rock Phosphate and Superphosphate in Minnesota," by C. O. Rost and P. M. Burson. Minn. Agr. Col. Ext. Ser. Soil Series No. 18. January 1947. 7p. 275.29 M66So
- "Fertilizers, Soil Analysis, and Plant Nutrition," by D. R. Hoagland. Calif. Agr. Expt. Sta. Cir. 367. March 1947. 2p. 100 C12S 367
- "Forest Landownership in Louisiana," prepared by Louisiana Forestry Commission. Second edition. April 1947. 20p.
- "Forest Resources of Louisiana," published by Louisiana Forestry Commission in cooperation with American Forestry Association. Second edition. August 15, 1947. 86p.
- "Industrial Uses of Selected Timber Species: Guide List of Industrial Uses of Various Timber Species and Forest Waste Material" Office of Domestic Commerce, Industrial Series No. 69. June 1947. 25p.
- "Management of the Cloquet Forest. Second Ten-Year Period," by J. H. Allison and R. M. Brown. Minn. Agr. Expt. Sta. Tech. Bul. 171. June 1946. 95p. 100 M66 171
- "Nutrition and the Family's Food," by A. Biesler and J. M. Leichsenring. Minn. Agr. Col. Ext. Ser. 1946. 47p. 389.1 M662

- "The Texas Feed Law: Definitions, Standards and Regulations Relative to Feeding Stuff," by F. D. Brock. Tex. Agr. Expt. Sta. Cir. No. 115. June 1947. 34p. 100 T31S
- "White Dutch Clover-Dallis Grass Pasture for the Gulf Coast Area of Alabama," by O. Brown and H. F. Yates. Ala. Agr. Expt. Sta. Progress Report No. 36. August 1947. 3p. 100 AL1P 36
- "The Woodlot Forester's Tool Kit," compiled by Forest Service, North Central Region. Second edition. 1946. 72p. 1.9621. R9W85

#### A DOZEN BOOKS FROM OUR SHELVES

- THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF LINCOLN STEFFENS. Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1931. 884p.
- COMMUNITY LIFE IN A DEMOCRACY, edited by F. C. Bingham. National Congress of Parents and Teachers, 1942. 246p. 280.12 N2177
- THE CULTURE OF CITIES, by Lewis Mumford. Harcourt, Brace and Company, 1938. 586p.
- ELEMENTARY STATISTICS AND APPLICATIONS, by J. G. Smith and A. J. Duncan. McGraw-Hill, 1944. 720p. 251 Sm63E
- THE FUTURE OF THE GREAT PLAINS, REPORT OF THE GREAT PLAINS COMMITTEE, 1936. 194p. 173.2 N214G
- GRAPHS: HOW TO MAKE AND USE THEM, by H. Arkin and R. R. Colton. Harper & Brothers, 1940. 236p. 251 Ar4G
- AN INTELLIGENT AMERICAN'S GUIDE TO THE PEACE, edited by Sumner Welles. Dryden Press, 1945. 370p. 129 W45
- MARKETING, by R. S. Alexander and others. Ginn, 1944. 810p. 280.3 AL2
- NATURALISTS OF THE FRONTIER, by S. W. Geiser. Southern Methodist University, 1937. 341p. 119 G27
- PUBLIC RELATIONS OF PUBLIC PERSONNEL AGENCIES, A report submitted to the Civil Service Assembly by the Committee on Public Relations of Public Personnel Agencies. 1941. 259p. 249.3 C492P
- THE SOCIAL FUNCTION OF SCIENCE, by J. D. Bernal. Macmillan, 1939. 482p. 280 B454
- YOUR FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE, by J. C. O'Brien and P. P. Marenberg. Funk & Wagnalls, 1940. 501p. 249.3 Ob6

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